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Sent: Wed 3/26/2014 2:49:16 PM

Subject: RE: Follow ups

One more question --- Sen. Kirk's office would like to know when was the last time there was an oil spill into Lake Michigan. What kind of historical info can we share. Does this happen often, has it happened before, etc?

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From: Beckmann, Ronna Erin

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2014 9:39 AM **To:** Mcseveney, Megan; Clements, Mindy

Subject: Follow ups

Already have had many calls/emails this morning from congressionals (and new offices). They're itching for more info, so if we get any, please let me know.

There's a lot of paranoia, such as whether the drinking water from Lake Michigan may not be safe.

Also, yesterday, there were questions on the call about whether any of the oil may have congealed and sunk. Mike discussed the possibility of BP investigating that. If there is going to be some investigation, please let me know all you can. And if they decide it's not necessary, please let me know why.

They're also asking for more details on how much oil (not just the mixture), when will we know, etc. I used Enbridge as an example, saying it'll likely be a long time.

They also want to know if/when BP will say definitively what went wrong and what they're doing to prevent a reoccurrence. Folks I'm talking to get that this isn't a huge environmental disaster, but are focused on preventing one.

Thanks,

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